

Dear FCC,

I strongly oppose the FCC's attempt to weaken Indiana's telephone privacy measures. Before the no-call list was adopted, I routinely received four to eight or more calls a day from various businesses. As a person who does much of my work at home, this is very disturbing and distracting. When I think I am getting a call for something work-related, I put down what I am doing at my desk to answer the phone. When it is an annoying sales call (whether or not I have a "business relationship" with the company in question), my concentration has been broken and my work disturbed for nothing, and this is very distressing and not only a waste of my time, but of the company's time too, because I sure won't buy anything from somebody with that little consideration of my time.

Besides disturbing my work, these sales calls also came very often at very rude and thoughtless times, such as during typical dinner hours and evening "family time" when people want to spend undisturbed time with their loved ones. This is not ethical business practice, and by allowing the weakening of Indiana's telephone privacy measures, you are condoning the disturbance of something sacred in my life and many people's lives: peaceful, undisturbed time with loved ones.

Bottom line: I DO NOT WANT TO RECEIVE UNSOLICITED CALLS. IF I WANT TO COMMUNICATE BY PHONE WITH A BUSINESS OF ANY SORT, I WILL CALL THEM. Period. All the weakening of the Indiana telephone privacy act will do is annoy and disturb people, take time away from special family time, and generally not help businesses. I do not know why this is even being considered. I signed up for the Indiana no-call list because I HATE GETTING UNSOLICITED CALLS FROM ANYONE ANYTIME ANYWHERE. Why would you do this when people voluntarily signed up for a list that has made their lives much more peaceful and calm? What kind of heartless people are you to want to challenge that? Do you really care so little for human beings? This is just a typical example of our government siding with businesses over real working people. I should not be surprised, but you could still prove me and people like me wrong if you just sat and considered the human factor for once.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Bridges